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FOR C-I-P PATENT APPLICATION



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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled INK CONTAINER, INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS AND INK SUPPLYING METHOD, the specification of which is attached hereto was filed on August 1, 2003 as Application No. 10/632,329 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

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